

RLC has an Ecumenical **Vacation Bible School** shared with St. Anne Roman Catholic church. Generally the program is planned for the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in August, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to noon.

An important part of Christian Life involves reaching out to people who are disadvantaged or oppressed. Our mission statement guides and directs us to be an open, accepting, and loving community. A community "that reaches out to all people to serve Christ". It challenges us to share and give of ourselves "to meet the needs of this congregation, the community, and the world, as the Holy Spirit moves us."

Resurrection has a Stephen Ministry Program led by Stephen Ministers who have received training to listen to, care for, encourage, support, pray, and share God's word with people on their spiritual journey, including people who are going through difficult times.

Over the years RLC has provided ongoing support to many local causes such as the Food Bank, Christmas hampers for the Salvation Army, and the Lighthouse Supported Living. Our Christmas Mitten Tree collects mitts, toques, scarves, socks and boots that are donated to agencies where people go in a time of crisis, such as the Crisis Nursery and the YWCA Women's Shelter. Globally, RLC has supported the Canadian Lutheran World Relief, ShelterBox, Samaritan's Purse Canada Shoeboxes, Mercy Ships, and many others.

***Being a Christian is primarily about following Christ, nurturing a committed, and devoted (not exclusive) relationship with God, engaging in authentic and genuine relationship with those around us including other Christians, family, friends, etc., and engaging the world in a relationship of intentional love and care. At***

***Resurrection Lutheran Church, we strive to live out these three dimensions of faithful discipleship, and we invite you to join us in following Christ.***

Resurrection has two outside features that are unique to us. There is the annual ice sculpture which is designed by architect Don Greer and built with help from members of the congregation. It is enjoyed by many in the neighbourhood and across the city and has become a great place for Christmas pictures! Our labyrinth is a path that anyone can walk. People walk labyrinths for many reasons such as prayerful meditation, spiritual awakening, or a way to come to terms with problems like grief, conflict, or personal tragedy. Arnie Thiessen, who designed it said "We hope the community will feel free to use it and understand that this labyrinth is not exclusively for our church but for them, as well."

The main floor, where the worship and fellowship areas are, is wheelchair accessible and the building is equipped with a hearing assistance system, as well as an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).

The church is available for community groups and meetings such as TOPS, AlAnon and an artist group. It is used for music recitals for private teachers and Conservatory Canada. There are choir rehearsals held here by Saskatoon Children's Choir and Greystone Singers and other choirs.

For more information, please check our website [www.resurrectionlutheranchurch.ca](http://www.resurrectionlutheranchurch.ca)



*Resurrection  
Lutheran Church*



***Jesus declares, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."  
(Matthew 11:28)***

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL DURING WORSHIP**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Ali Tote

## HISTORY

Resurrection Lutheran Church (RLC) has been worshipping together since 1979. It originated as a mission church for the River Heights, Lawson Heights, and Silverwood Heights neighbourhoods. We are affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC). Our location is on the corner of Lenore Drive and Roberecki Crescent.

## MISSION STATEMENT

*“Resurrection Lutheran Church exists to proclaim Jesus Christ as Saviour, in an open accepting fellowship, a loving caring community that reaches out to all people to serve Christ through worshipping, teaching, learning, sharing and giving of ourselves to meet the needs of this congregation, the community and the world, as the Holy Spirit moves us.”*

## WORSHIP

Our worship services begin at 10:00 am every Sunday of the year and there are special services at Christmas and Easter.

We practice an open table in which all baptized believers of all Christian denominations are welcome.

RLC members conduct a service at the Saskatoon Correctional Centre on the first Sunday of every month.

There are bible study groups that meet on a regular basis in the homes of our congregational members.

We strive to be an inclusive, warm, and friendly family of God, in worship, in group activities, and in outreach and support of the community both at home and around the world.

## FELLOWSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

The **Resurrection Choir** performs at a number of services throughout the year usually during special church seasons such as Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter.

The **Men’s Breakfast** group meets every Friday at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Smitty’s in Lawson Heights Mall. This is a time for sharing what is happening in our everyday lives and a wonderful experience of fellowship. Whether you are able to come every Friday or only on occasion, all are welcome!!

**Adult Hour** is held from 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. most Sunday mornings from September to June. The sessions begin with a time of sharing the trials and triumphs of the past week. The group also works through a book for spiritual nourishment.

There is a **No Host Breakfast** the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at Taos Restaurant. The purpose is to promote fellowship within a Christian environment.

The **Resurrection Piece Makers** is a quilting group that gets together at the church on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. from fall to spring. In the spring, the finished quilts are donated to the Ronald McDonald House, Crisis Center, Children’s Nursery, YMCA or other groups.

**The Ladies Group** was started as a way for the women in our congregation to get together socially in the afternoon from mid-October to mid-May. They started a Prayer Shawl Ministry with the shawls going to anyone in the congregation and to nursing homes. Baby blankets are delivered to the Crisis Nursery and baby vests to the Neonatal Unit at RUH. The knitting has now expanded to include hats, mitts and scarves for our Christmas Mitten Tree.

The **Book Study** begins in October and the group usually meets twice a month at the church in the evening. The book to study is chosen and agreed upon by all. Depending on the length of the book, the study continues into the New Year until the book is completed.

## DAILY LIFE

Christian life begins in the family at an early age and as children grow up they continue to learn at Sunday School and in the Confirmation process.

The goal of **Sunday School** is to provide our children with a caring, fun environment that nurtures their faith and teaches them about God, the Holy Spirit and Jesus. Children between the ages of 3 – 11 years of age are welcome to join at any time throughout the school year.

**Confirmation** is a time of spiritual growth and biblical literacy for teenage Christians. They learn to pray and deepen their relationship with God. They learn to know God, trust God, follow Jesus, and serve God and the world. They learn some of the basics about the Bible so that they can grow in their knowledge of God. Our confirmation program is a two-year commitment for teenagers generally in grade seven and eight. Classes run from September to April. One class a month is held with the other ELCIC churches in Saskatoon. It is usually the first Sunday of the month 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. The other class is held at Resurrection with just our students. It will be held after service on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

For **youth group** activities, please contact the church.